GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6003
ANSWERED ON:31.08.2001
LEVY OBLIGATION ON EXPORT OF SUGAR
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received some requests from sugar mill to extend period to exempt the sugar meant for export from levy obligation;

(b) if so, the period for which such exemption has been made available;

(c) whether there is any proposal to extend the period of such exemption;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the other incentives given to the sugar mills to boost the export of sugar?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e): Government has already extended the period to exempt the sugar meant for export from levy obligation upto 30.9.2001 or till further orders whichever is later.

(f): Government has taken the following measures to boost the export of sugar are given below:

(i) The quantity exported for commercial export is treated as advance free sale release to be adjusted after a period of 12 months from the date of release.

(ii) The levy exemption on the quantity of sugar meant for commercial exports, if it cannot be availed by the sugar factory out of 1999-2000 season`s production due to completion of its levy obligation, the same may be availed by the concerned sugar factory from the production in the 2000-2001 sugar season.

(iii) DEPB at the rate of 5% of the FOB value of exports of sugar has been allowed.

(iv) Government has removed the quantitative ceiling on export of sugar and has also dispensed with the requirement of the issue of Registration-cum-allocation Certificates (RCACs) by APEDA, w.e.f. 01.04.2001,